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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Attorney Docket  
No:  
**N32040200W**

Application Serial Number:  
**09/981,402**

Filing Date:  
**10/17/2001**

Examiner:  
**Richards, N. D.**

Group Art Unit:  
**2815**

**Invention: Semiconductor Device and Method for Its Manufacture**

**TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

|               | CLAIMS REMAINING<br>AFTER AMENDMENT |       | HIGHEST NUMBER<br>PREVIOUSLY PAID<br>FOR | NO. OF EXTRA<br>CLAIMS PRESENT | RATE  | ADDITIONAL<br>FEE |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|-------|--|--------------------------------|-------|-------------------|
| TOTAL CLAIMS  | 2                                   | MINUS | 25                                       | 0                              | \$50  | \$ 0.00           |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | 1                                   | MINUS | 5  | 0                              | \$200 | \$ 0.00           |

Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of \_\_\_\_\_ to and through \_\_\_\_\_, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of:

\_\_\_\_\_ one month (\$120)                      \_\_\_\_\_ three months (\$1020)  
\_\_\_\_\_ two months (\$450)                      \_\_\_\_\_ four months (\$1590)

**TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT**

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**Conditional Petition for Additional Extension of Time**

It is believed that the indicated items are timely filed. However, in the event an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a).

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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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10 A. Introductory Comments

The following is submitted in response to the Office Action dated April 20, 2005, and is currently due July 20, 2005.

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